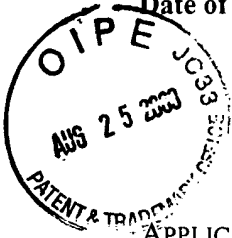


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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

This paper is in response to the Office Action mailed April 25, 2003, which is due on or before August 25, 2003 with a one-month extension of time. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayments of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, reference 24299-519.